

PRESS RELEASE

## Gardant and Università di Roma Tre renew their partnership for the second edition of the specialisation course in “Management and valorisation of impaired loans”

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Gardant, market leader in Italy in the credit management sector, and the Department of Business Economics – Università degli Studi Roma Tre announce the second edition of the advanced course in “Management and valorisation of impaired loans”, which aims to train professionals experienced in the definition of efficient strategies for the NPEs market. Gardant and the University, therefore, renew the partnership signed last year and underwritten at the time by Credito Fondiario, prior to the spin-off in summer 2021 from which Gardant itself was born.

*“We are pleased to have renewed the agreement with the Università degli Studi Roma Tre after the success of the first edition of the specialisation course, which was able to combine the expectations of those who were already working in the field of impaired credit management and of those who were approaching these topics for the first time,” Alberto De Maggi, Group Chief Operating Officer of Gardant, explained. “We are certain that this edition will also meet the interest of many participants, both for the quality and the teaching methods, and for the great demand of the market for qualified professionals in this field.”*

The second edition of the advanced course is based on a solid teaching foundation, strengthened by the experience of the previous year, involving the participation of 25 students and attracting considerable interest, particularly among professionals already working in the sector who wanted a complete update on the proposed topic, corroborated by an operational approach, in order to subsequently transfer the knowledge acquired to their working environment.

The course is organised by the Department of Business Economics of the Università degli Studi Roma Tre, coordinated by Mauro Paoloni, Full Professor of Business Economics. Lessons will be held by Gardant managers, Professors from the Università degli Studi Roma Tre and professionals from top-level banking institutions, as well as professionals working in various capacities in the sector. This method allows participants to consolidate both the theoretical and practical side of the subject, coming into direct contact with managers who have many years of experience and operate as sector leaders within the market.

*“With the creation of the advanced course ‘Management and valorisation of impaired loans’, the Department of Business Economics is once again at the forefront of education. In fact, this matter is extremely topical and the approach the course is delivered with ensures that the items covered are useful both to recent graduates and to professionals already working in the sector,” Professor Mauro Paoloni, course coordinator, explains, “And I am therefore very happy with the renewal of the partnership with Gardant.”*

The course is aimed at all those who have obtained a three-year or master’s degree, preferably in Economics, Business Economics, Law or Engineering. The lessons, which start on 25 February and end on 7 May, will be delivered in streaming mode and, with the consent of the speakers, will be recorded and will remain available for consultation. The course is structured according to a “weekend formula” with lessons on Friday afternoons, from 3pm to 7pm, and on Saturday mornings, from 9am to 1pm, thus also meeting the needs of

those who are already active in the world of work. The number of participants will range from a minimum of 10 to a maximum of 40 people, and selections will be made on the basis of the CVs of candidates who have applied by 16 February 2022.

At the end, following the presentation of monographic papers written on the topics covered, participants will be awarded 10 Training Credits and a certificate of achievement will be issued.

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